

Abstract

A doctor blade device (01) for cleaning a surface has a doctor blade (03) and a tub (09) for receiving the material stripped from the surface by the doctor blade. The doctor blade is movable between a position in which it projects out of an opening (13) of the tub and a position in which it is submerged in the tub. A closure element (07) closes the opening in the submerged position of the doctor blade.